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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, other than U.S. patent documents, are enclosed.

REMARKS

The following documents were cited in a Supplementary Partial European Search Report of a foreign counterpart application corresponding to related Application No. 10/080,330:

- (1) US 2002/183882 A1;
- (2) WO 02/35432;

- (3) US 2003/034390 A1;
- (4) WO 99/45495;
- (5) WO 01/55931;
- (6) US 5,959,568; and
- (7) US 2001/0000019 A1.

The Search Report is dated April 13, 2006. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

Applicants respectfully submit that Document (1) is the publication corresponding to the aforementioned Application No. 10/080,330.

Applicants respectfully submit that Document (2) is a counterpart to the subject application.

Applicants respectfully submit that Document (3) is the publication of the subject application.

Applicants respectfully submit that Document (4) was cited in the January 4, 2002 Information Disclosure Statement in the subject application.

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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
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	WO 01/55931 A1	08/02/2001	PCT			
	WO 02/35432 A1	05/02/2002	PCT			
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)						
	April 13, 2006 Supplementary Partial European Search Report in European Application No. 03713485.					
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